

**DUTIES OF THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE****CHAPTER 1069**

H.B. No. 3243

AN ACT**relating to the duties of the structural pest control advisory committee.***Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 1951.104, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1951.104. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE. (a) The committee shall:

- (1) gather and provide information relating to the practice of structural pest control at the request of the department or the commissioner; and
- (2) advise the department and the commissioner on:
 - (A) the education and curricula requirements for applicants;
 - (B) the content of examinations under this chapter;
 - (C) proposed rules and standards on technical issues related to structural pest control and rules related to enforcement;
 - (D) standards and criteria for the issuance of licenses under this chapter;
 - (E) fees for license applications and examinations under this chapter; and
 - (F) other issues affecting the practice of structural pest control.

(b) Before the department proposes a rule for adoption, the department must submit the proposed rule to the committee to provide advice as described by Subsection (a)(2)(C). The committee shall:

- (1) vote on whether to recommend that the rule be proposed for adoption; and*
- (2) provide the recommendation under Subdivision (1) to the department not later than the 60th day after the date the proposed rule was submitted to the committee for review.*

(c) For the purpose of advising the department on rules related to enforcement under Subsection (a), on request of the presiding officer of the committee, the department shall allow the committee to review a completed disciplinary investigation file.

SECTION 2. Section 1951.105, Occupations Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b) The committee shall:

- (1) *at the first meeting of each year, elect from the committee's members a presiding officer and an assistant presiding officer to serve a term of one year;*
- (2) meet quarterly;
- (3) ~~[(2)]~~ operate under Robert's Rules of Order; and
- (4) ~~[(2)]~~ record the minutes of each meeting.

(c) The rules adopted under Subsection (a) must provide that the presiding officer of the committee:

- (1) is responsible for setting an agenda for each committee meeting; and*
- (2) may add an item to an agenda on request by the department or commissioner.*

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 9, 2017: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 15, 2017.

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